S. No.	NH No.	Name of Project	Status during 2001-02	Present status	Completion target
53.	5	4-laning from km 52.8 to 357.9 in Tada-Chikaluripet section being implemented by NHAI under NHDP	in progress	in progress	2003-04
54.	7	1 -laning from km 464.0 to 474.0 & k. 9.40 to 22.30 in Nagpur-Hydera-bad and Hyderabad-Bangalore section being implemented by NHAI under NHDP	in progress	in progress	2003-04
55.	9	4-lamng from Nadigama- Vijayawada section of NH 9 being implemented by NHAI under NHDP	in progress	in progress	2003-04

Golden Quadrilateral Project

1017. SHR) P. PRABHAKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 5840 Km. golden Quadrilateral project linking the four metros is likely to overshoot the deadline set down for its completion;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps proposed to be undertaken for clearing the bottlenecks in the way of timely completion of the project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS: [MAJ. GEN. (RETD.) B.C. KHANDURI]: (a) and (b) No, Sir. The Golden Quadrilateral (GQ) component of National Highway Development Project (NHDP) was targeted for completion by December, 2004. However, we have ourselves preponed the target for substantial completion of GQ by December, 2003. At present, out of a

total of 5846 km length of GQ, 1149 km have been completed, 4613 km are in progress and contracts for only 84 km are yet to be awarded. Delay, with respect to preponed target, is mainly due to various formalities which were required to be completed in respect of externally aided projects.

(c) All bottlenecks, suchas land acquisition, environment clearances, etc., are being removed with the help of concerned authorities/State Governments. All parameters of the Project are being monitored regularly.

SSIs in Himachal Pradesh

†1018. SHRI KRIPAL PARMAR: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the amount spent by Government for establishment of Small Scale Industries in rural areas of Himachal Pradesh under the Ninth Five Year Plan; and

(b) the amount propose to be spent under this head in the State during the Tenth Five Year Plan period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) The setting up of Small Scale Industries (SS!) is an activity of the individual entrepreneur. Government, however, facilitate the development and promotion of SSI by providing grant for infrastructure development, imparting training for entrepreneurial and technomanagerial human resource development, providing common facilities, quality testing facilities and extension services, fiscal support, credit facilities, incentives for technology upgradation, marketing and export related information, consultancy, to create conducive situation and to motivate entrepreneurs to set up SSI units. While the development of small scale industries is primarily the concern of respective State Governments/ Union Territories, the Central Government support and supplement the efforts of the State Governments/Union Territories through various programmes and schemes which are implemented throughout the country in a unified manner for which the allocation of funds is made scheme/programme-wise and not State-wise. During the 9th Five Year Plan an approximate amount of Rs. 3662.68 crore has been

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.